# *Executive Proclamation*
# *State of South Dakota*
# *Office of the Governor*

***Whereas***, Water follows a natural cycle from Earth to air to Earth again; and,

***Whereas***, Water is a basic and essential need of every living creature; and,

***Whereas,*** Our health, comfort, and standard of living depend upon an abundant supply of safe drinking water; and,

***Whereas***, The citizens of our state should have a safe and dependable supply of water both now and in the future; and,

***Whereas,*** We are calling upon each citizen to help protect our source waters from pollution, practicing water conservation, and getting involved in local water issues:

***Now, Therefore, I, M. Michael Rounds***, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim May 1 through 7, 2005, as

## *DRINKING WATER WEEK*

in South Dakota.

***In Witness Whereof***, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Twenty-sixth Day of April in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Five.

M. Michael Rounds, Governor

**Attest:**

Chris Nelson, Secretary of State
by Deputy